

REMARKS / DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

Claims 1-27 are pending in the application.

The Office action rejects claims 20-27 under 35 U.S.C. 101. The applicants respectfully traverse this rejection, but in the interest of advancing prosecution in this case, the claims are amended to recite that the claimed program is included on a computer-readable medium. The claims are not narrowed in intended scope and no new matter is added.

In view of the foregoing, the applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of record, allow all the pending claims, and find the application to be in condition for allowance. If any points remain in issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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